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Ladies and Gentlemen:

Please find enclosed an Environmental Assessment prepared by the FWP Fisheries Division. FWP proposes to purchase a house in Fort Peck, MT to be used as the Fort Peck Hatchery manager's residence. FWP provides housing for hatchery personnel that perform Fish and Water Supply Protection Duty. Purchasing this existing residence is less expensive that building a new house and is preferable to the use of rental housing.

Please submit any comments that you have by 5 P.M., July 3, 2007 to the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks in Helena at the address listed above. The proposed acquisition is contingent upon approval by the Fish, Wildlife and Parks Commission and Montana's Land Board. If you have any questions, please contact me at (406) 444-2447. Also note that this EA will be considered as final if no substantive comments are received by the deadline listed above.

Sincerely,

Bob Snyder

Hatchery Bureau Chief

Fisheries Division

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